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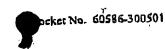
L'believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (If only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "ACETIC ANHYDRIDE, METHOD OF PURIFYING CRUDE ACETIC ANHYDRIDE, AND METHOD OF PRODUCING FOLYOXYTETRAMETHYLENE GLYCOL USING ACETIC ANHYDRIDE" the specification of which

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by tine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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